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SUBJ: IRISH MILITARY INTEREST IN US ARMY HOWITZER, M101A1.

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1. THE IRISH DEFENSE FORCES (IDF) HAVE INFORMALLY REQUESTED INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT HOWITZER AS TO COSTS, AVAILABILITY, AMMUNITION AND REPAIR PARTS SUPPORT. THE REQUEST HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED IN THE FORM OF A DIPLOMATIC NOTE BECAUSE THE IDF IS ALSO LOOKING AT SEVERAL OTHER MODELS FROM WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

2. THE IDF CURRENTLY POSSESSES THE UK 25 POUNDER HOWITZER WHICH IS RAPIDLY BECOMING OBSOLETE AS AMMUNITION AND REPAIR PARTS PRODUCTION ARE REDUCED. THE IDF DESIRES TO REPLACE THE CURRENT HOWITZER WITH A MORE UP TO DATE MODEL AND ONE WITH A POTENTIALLY LONG SUPPORT PERIOD OF AMMUNITION.
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TION AND REPAIR PARTS. A MAXIMUM OF 72 WEAPONS, PHASED OVER A PERIOD OF SEVERAL YEARS, WOULD BE REQUIRED.

3. THE EMBASSY IS AWARE OF THE CRITERIA IMPOSED BY THE REFTEL, AND WILL CONSIDER THE CRITERIA IF AND WHEN A FORMAL REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OCCURS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: INFORMATION PER PARA 1. SHANNON

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